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CITIZENS' RIGHTS.

It has been intimated from several sources that President Roosevelt would finally make concessions to the labor unions in the case of W. A. Miller, foreman in the Government Printing Office, whose discharge was demanded because he has been expelled from the bookbinders' union. But the Baltimore Sun's Washington correspondent says that while Miller may be discharged, it will be on charges other than those connected with his relations with the union, and the President in making the announcement will distinctly state the reasons, and will relterate the declaration that there can be no discrimination in the government service against either union or non-union men.

The President has stated the principle, and stated it correctly, and if he should depart one jot or one tittle therefrom he would lose the respect of the nation, the respect of fair-minded workingmen as well as of all other citizens. This ques tion involves the most sacred right of the American citizen, the right to use his muscle and brain in any honorable ocrungtion which he may select withou discrimination against him, because of his affiliation or non-affiliation with any set or clique or organization whatsoever If the government does not recognize this right it is false to its fundamental law, and if the President, as the executive uphold the law which protects every citizen in this right, he would be false to trust and an object of contempt. It is not for the President to say whether shall belong to a labor union. It is his to all classes of citizens, and when a man do the government's work it would be a officer of government to reject him be with a labor union. If an individual or if a private corporation elects to employ labor only or non-union labor only. it is the right of such individual or such corporation to do so, and nobody has the right to interfere. The moral question of expediency, is for the employer to de the government occupies a very different dian of the rights of the people, and it denving any man the right to work for

be a union man of a non-union man, President Roosevelt has already doctrine, and correctly clared it, we repeat, and we have no idea that he will reverse his decision.

THE WORLD GROWS BETTER.

Churches, now in session at Atlantic City, Mr. Carroll D. Wright, United States Commissioner of Labor, delivered "Some Evidences of Growth of Practical

Mr. Wright took the optimistic view and controverted the statements of those who say that there is a decadence of the true religious spirit. He declared that public conscience to-day was more acute, more sensitive, than at any time agree with him Never before was there to universal a demand for justice to all for the maintenance of individual rights for morality in high places, for pure poll tics and honest government. Never before in the history of the world was so much done for popular education, for the care of paupers, the feeble-minded and insane persons, for public health and cleanliness, for the amelioration of suffering, and for the general uplift of humanity There are so many evidences of this on every hand that it would b a waste of time to go into specifications.

Wright sees further evidence of the truth of his assertion in the question of crime. "I think," said he, "that it is the general belief that crime is largely on the increase," and he admitted that the statistics of crime support this contention. But he pointed out that those who so believe do not stop to distinguis) between what is crime to-day and what was crime forty or fifty years ago, nor do they stop to consider the question as to the more perfect statistics of to-day brought into comparison with the imper fect and crude statistics of half a century ago. "The statistics," he went on, "comprehend not only the persistent orimes, but those crimes which have been established by legislative enactment and moreasingly so within the last five if we look beneath the figures

we shall find that the crimes that have

remained persistently so under the oriminal code during the last fifty years have not only not increased, but have relatively decreased, and this is the true

Another evidence of a better order of things, as pointed but by him, is the manner in which we now deal with oriminals, the accepted theory being that the original must be restrained, and during his confinement intelligent and charttable efforts must be made to reform him and turn him out a better man Nor is this work left entirely to the government, but in many States there are voluntary associations composed of men and women, who make it their bust ness to co-operate with the government in its conduct of prisons, with a view to improving the moral condition of the This work is growing all the convicts. time, and it has made notable progress during the past few years in the State of Virginia. Penology is rapidly becom ing a sort of religious science.

Finally, Mr. Wright said that the treat ment of the labor queston offered one of the strongest evidences of the growth recognizes this in large degree-not universally, not in every establishment, but in increasing numbers and in increasing degree. The best men are willing to grant to other men what they claim for themselves, and this is one of the highes conceptions of religious action. The moment one man recognizes the rights o another he is far on the way to the solution of the difficulties which perpley

That is a true saying. The man who makes it the rule of his life to respec the rights and feelings of his fellows in the true spirit of his, Maker is following closely along the lines of the Golden Rule, and is not far from the kingdom o

INDIFFERENT VOTERS.

It is said that Canada, as well as the United States, is troubled by the indiffer ent voter, and is trying to devise a way to brng him to the polls. To that end, w are told, the Dominion Election Committee, of Ottowa, has decided to recom mend to the House a law whereby any qualified voter failing to cast his ballot shall be deprived of the right to do so at the next general election.

This is an exceedingly difficult ques-

iton to deal with. Voting is a privilege, and therefore compulsory voting is a contra diction. It is hard to see how the govern ment can consistently compel a sover eign citizen to exercise a privilege which it confers upon him. To undertake to compel's man to vote is very much lik compelling him to exercise his privilege to walk in the public parks. But the the voting privilege, either temporarily or permanently, from a citizen who puts such a low estimate upon it that he will not take the trouble to exercise it upo occasion. Therefore, the proposed law ir Canada seems to be entirely reasonable It is quite certain that something ought to be done in the United States to stimulate the indifferent water to action. The primary election held in the city of Rich on Tuesday last furnished additional proof that there are many indif ferent voters in Richmond, and the strange part of it is that the majority of these are men whose interests demand that they should take an active part in who complain bitterly of bad laws and s poor government service, yet they them selves do nothing whatever to improve the situation. They put the blame upon others, when, in fact, the blame lies in great part at their own doors. If all men upon whom the voting privilege has been conferred would exercise that privilege as the law contemplates, if they would take an active interest in local and State and national politics, if they would exert themselves to bring out good candidates. and then to elect them, we should soon have a very marked improvement in the laws of the land and in the public ser-

LOUISIANA PRIMARY.

The primary election plan prepared by a subcommittee of the State Committee, of Louisiana, provides for an election on Decamber 15th, when State officers and a United States Senator will be nominated. The primary will be held in every parish in the State, and every ward in New Or leans, and in addition to nominating the public officers before named, each parish and each ward in New Orleans, will elect one member of the State Contral Committee. The veting will be by secret ballot, and the polls will be opened at t A. M. and closed at 6 P. M. Voters must be white Democrats, lawfully registered, If any one offering to yote be cha lenged, he will not be permitted to cast his ballot until he has been sworn and has declared that at the last State of congressional election in which he parti cipated he voted for the Democratic didate, and that at the next regular election to be held according to law he will wote "for the Democratic candidates who may be selected at this primary

This election is to be conducted in all respects under the provisions of the Louisiana act of assembly, commonly known as the primary law.

In case any candidate falls to receiv a majority of the votes cust for the office for which be is a condidate, a second primary election must be held within not less than twenty nor more than thirty At that election no days thereafter. can be a candidate except the two pervotes at the first primary election for the The chairman of the State Central Comthe second election is to be held.

An official ballot is to be printed and candidates are to be furnished with as many of them as they wish, provided they for the printing of the same. Th voter must designate his choice of candidates by erasing the names of those candidates whom he does not desire to support, leaving on the ticket only the names of those for whom he wishes to

The chairman of the State Committee

tion expenses, and is to apportion the same as equitably as possible smong the

candidates for the several offices.

The plan of election of which the fore soing is a synopsia, will be submitted by the subcommittee to the full State Committee on October 14th. It is expected that it will be adopted without any ma terial changes.

ARMY MATTERS.

The new army law, whose advent marked the retirement of Nelson A. Miles, in effect abolished the office of licutementrenoral. A general staff was created instead, of which General S. M. B. Young is chief. He does most of the work that Miles used to do, and also some of that which is commonly supposed to pertain to the office of Secretarry of War. And just there already some questions have The accounting officers of the government doubt Young's right to order conjecture that the opinion of the law officers of the department will have to be taken to decide who is right and who is wrong; that is to say whother the suo "commands" for the payment of mileage and other claims. It does no appear that General Young is bull-headed in the matter, but the law is not as clear as it should be, and seems susceptible of two constructions.

eral staff is that hereafter that corps shall furnish the officers who are to serve as military attaches to our embassies. This has created a great stirnot to say opposition and commotion.

Those places are highly desirable and are much sought after, if we may be permitted to use an expression that is scarcely allowable in strict military parlance. They are desirable from the standpoint of a society man and also from that of the ardent student who wishes to have the opportunity which those places afford to improve himself in his profession for studying the methods of war-

Whether the old plan of making these details is better than the new, or vice versa, we do not know, but certain it is that many appointments that have been made in the past have been sharply criticised. Favoritism is said to have ruled too often-wealth and social standing weighing much in the selection of officers for that service. Under the new ule, which goes into effect in about three months, many well known and abl officers will be relieved from duty abroad and returned to their commands.

General Arthur, commanding the partment of California, reports that nearly twenty per centum of th centisted men in that department deserted during the fiscal year. Of this number 914 were from the permanent garrisons in the de partments, representing approximately 19.42 per cent, of the main strength there of for the year. The remaining 430 were recruits and soldiers passing to and from the Philippines. General McArthur doe not understand why so many men resorted to this violent method of "separating the depressing result could in any way be attributed to American methods yould certainly justify the deepest solicitude on the part of all concerned in the military administration of the nation.

The General further says: "As a matter of fact, the American oldier is so well provided for in respec to all his material necessities, and his personat rights are so carefully safeguarded in respect to all matters of discipline, that a conclusion arises spontaneously in the minds of experienced inrestigators to the effect that described to a large extent is incidental to human
nature rather than an expression of
specific defects in military system."

As a matter of fact many men enlist
to the communications and the control of the to all his material necessities, and

in the army simply because they are out of employment, and because they are tired of fighting the battle for bread in avenues of trade or commerce that are so growded as to offer them no inducements to continue the struggle there. Bu in the course of a year or so they tire of the army and long to enter business life again. They see-or think they seeopenings on every side, and they fret and fume until a time comes when they are desperate enough to desert. If they are tyrannized over-or imagine that, they are-by some officer or "non com" s much the sooner will they make up their inds to desert, and off they go on th

first "provocation."
The General intimates that there probably would be fewer deserters if public opinion were more pronounced than it is against the crime, and doubtless he is right. As it is, desertion in time of page is not regarded by the general public as a very beloous offense. There are hun dreds of respectable citizens in the West and middle West who went out ther in the army, deserted and entered into business and "lived happily ever after wards." In some cases their offenses are not known in the communities where they live; in other cases, their offenses are known and freely condoned.

The American soldier, we believe, to better paid and better treated than any other soldier in the world. He will be content with nothing less-and is not always content with that. Yet it strikes us that it would pay the United States to be more carefu n recruiting. As far as possible, inquire ought to be made into the antecedents of men asking to enlist. Those who are into the army because they have suffered from a recent disappointment or when they are just coming off sprees. are no always to be trusted to serve out their terms fully. Some men possibly may culist to procure a chance to go to the Philippines, but many others have a horror of being sent there. Of that we are convinced, but the government needs soldiers in the Philippines and must send them there from this country until the time comes when most of the military duty to be done there may be safely entrusted to naive troops.

When that time arrives, perhaps there will be fewer desertions from the army We suppose, too, that when the country is prosperous, as it is now, it is barder to get men for the army, and keep them there than it is when times are hard and is to make up a budget of probable elec- employment is difficult to get

"Bliver is 'away up' in price," and the United States silver dollar is worth nearly forty-five cents in the meiting pot," gicefully exclaims the Hartford Times, which further explaines "Our shipments of silver to the Philippines, and a call for two million ounces for coinage, in France, have helped to use up the surplus stock of silver in the world's market. The recent rise has already given a great impetus to the business of silver mining. oreased, and the world's product of aliver will be very largely increased during the next six months. The price of bar silver in New York is now fifty-ning and oneeighth cents per ounce, and it is be-

sixty cents."

There is a tradition that a man named McClelian had something to do with the battle of Anticiam, but no allusion to him appears to have been made in any of the addresses that were delivered on the battlefield recently. Of course, there can be no question of the perfect sincerity of the President when he says that he is not mixing in any way in the municipal campaign in New York or any other city, but we do not believe he would deliver an address at Gettysburg without mentioning Aleade, or that he would indulge in oratory at Appomattox Courthouse without referring to Grant.—Hartford Times.

The omission of the name of McClelian sixty cents."

The omission of the name of McClellar by the President and the Governor of New Jersey has ben counterbalanced by the newspapers. If there was any intention-to ignore "Little Mac," and we do not like to believe there was, it has perved to be a hoomerang. He is receiv-"honorable mention" from thousands of public men, veterans, editors, etc., and it seems that he has by no means passed out of the memory of the people.

all North Carolina, as for that matter are making grand preparations for the great reunion of North Carolinians that is to take place in that city next month The wanderers from the good old State will be returning from every quarte of the globe, and the reception that awalts them will be something worthy o the famous hospitality of the people of Greensboro and of North Carolina. The mammoth old time barbecue on the old Gullford courthouse battleground will be one of the notable features of this glad

time. Attorney-General Isldor Rayner, of Maryland, has announced that he is a candidate for United States Senator. The election is to take place at the neeting of the General Assembly. Meantime, however, he says it will be his purpose to see to it that the sentiment of the people shall be afforded the fullest opportunity of expression "and that the supreme power of public opinion, what ever it may be, may make itself manifest upon this important issue."

York, one of his old friends who was there to greet him, said: "Your Eminence we would all like to know why you were not elected Pope."
"I will have to give the same reason

that Grover Cleveland gave when failed to be elected the second time, replied the Cardinal: "It was the of votes."

The esteemed Ablingdon Virginian changed hands twice within the last month. Now it is the property of Mr. L. P. Summers, and will hereafter be a

Republican paper. If Peary should succeed in finding the north pole, wouldn't we have nonther coundary squabble with England? might.

Just think of it; The Horse Show only nineteen days away, and there dawns upon the horizon a shadow of a hope that Bostock is coming again.

The Sultan of Turkey requires two gen erais, a colonel, a major, a captain and several soldier, at a cost of \$900 a night, to guard his bedroom, and yet he doe not sleep soundly.

If King Peter can read the rumors and prophecies concerning his assassination without flinching he is indeed fit to be

The reports from the Pledmont section of North Carolina indicate that the earller reports of such an immense tobacc crop were a little exaggerated.

Attorney Holmes Cont go to the bottom of the Postofflice De partment scandals if there is any bottom to get to.

These cool mornings are well calculated revive memories of 'possum sop, hot taters and persimmon heer.

The cry from Macedonia is getting It started on a rather high key perhaps.

That, little cool wave had its comforts It sent the mosquito into winter quarers a little ahead of its usual date. If the John Temple Graves idea should

ever go through, how would Macedonia de as a colonization country? The Salvation Army, it is said, has changed the Breathlit county shooting to

shouting, and it is much better. And now the Virginia porkers are make ing arrangements to be converted into

Smithfield hams, The increased business of the Postoffice Department does not deprive Mr. Payne of the time to talk for publication.

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Under the headline "No Rubbing It In," the Lynchburg News says! The decision of the Democratic leaders at Malisch, in Ambiers, county, to abandon the proposed celebration of the result of the proposed celebration of the result of the primary election some days ago, was the wisess thing, that could drave been done wises thing, that could drave been done would have leidned the situation already irritated in the highest degree, and within the Democratic party that ought would have helped perpetuate a feur within the Democratic party that ought now to end, Judge Campbell, the defented candidate for the House of Defrentes has, in a most orealization with the competitor but has publicly successful of his competitor, but has publicly successful estate.

The Newson Messa Theorem Horself estate.

The Newport News Times-Herald says: We think Governor Montague did right in granting the respite and his answer to the Chase City people was all right. The only mistake he made to our mind was in writing a belaid or any other jette to Judge Holmes. We think that the assurance of the Commonwealth's attorney that he had additional evidence and that he believed Boon innocent was sufficient, and as a matter of each it, was sufficient and the respite was rightly granted on that ground.

The Salem Sentinel speaking of the attorn of Richmond school authorities a holishing examinations for promotion says: Ultimately this will be doge a over the State. Examinations, as the most present conducted, are within the lenst doubt the worst feature of the public school system. To the toucher they are nerve-racking ordenis. To the schoolars they are even worse. Often delicate child's nerves are strained it renarably by the torturing examination which they have to face. Then there the thought of the humiliation of failure and failure is often caused by the dread failure. As a result the children wor, their hoads nearly off. "cromming "cramming," "cramming" until they are ministently intered as well as mentall partured. Let us do away with examinations, the quicker the better. The Salem Sentinel speaking of the ac-

The Harrisonburg News says: The con-operators in West Virginia are making the atmosphere blue under a throaten; State tax of one-third of a cent a for And this after a rise of one dollar it ton to the consumer! Isn't serve it that calculated to far the body politic

that calculated to far the body politic?

The Fredericksburg Star Bays: The verdict of that Falls Church Jury goes far to show that there is no prejudice against the nerve in CViprinia. A colored boy, prepulsing with a gun, shet and instantic killed a white eight fouriers years old. The corpuer held an inquest out the body of the deceased and a verdered, and the how yoos free. If there had been the hatred to the agree, as many known in page on that rubbard claim, the boy would ordanibly have been placed upon trial for his life, but instead he was exponented.

A Few Foreign Facts.

A German innkeeper on the Swiss bor der has undertaken as a result of a wager to roll a barrel full of wine acr.

A post-card sent from Berlin to Turin on June 7, 1877, has just come back stamped "Address not known." The writer has been dead twenty-four years.

A proof of the change of educational ideas at Oxford and Cambridge is the growing popularity of the natural settness. There is at the same time a decadence of the mathematical tripos at Cambridge. It has always stood first until this year, when, at a jump, it has gone to fourth place.

In Cyprus peasants are paid 40 pounds for every ton of locust eggs they destroy. In some years as many as 900 tons are destroyed, which means that some 180,009,000 of locusts have been cheated of their chance of existence. But still they come, and recently the locust swarms were as active as ever.

The Spanish press is making great efforts to obtain from the government the pay of the sallors who fought in the Spanish-American war, the money being still due to them after five years.

According to the recent religious census of Germany the Protestants number \$5.23,104, 0: \$2.5 per cent, of the total. The Catholics, 20,327,913, or 35.1 per cent.

An Austrian Colonel has just died, leaving to the Army Museum, Vienna, a collection of 50,000 papier mache soldiers in the uniforms of most armies, past and present.

The directors of the Berlin Omnibus Company have decided to give every em-ploye a share in their profits, which will bring each man in about \$8 per an-num, at the present rate of dividend.

Personal and General.

General W. L. Cabell, of Dalias, Texas, has written what he declares to be the rue history of the Confederate flag, as a contribution to Confederate war history.

Right Rev. Mgr. Peter Joseph Schroed-er, rector of the University of Munster, and formerly of the Catholic University at Washington, D. C., has just died in Germany.

Ellen Douglass, of Cape May, N. J., has been appointed professor of romance lan-guages in the University of St. Louis, to take the place of Prof. Bessett, who gost to Kansas University.

Mrs. Shaw, wife of the Secretary, will spend the winter in Washington, after a summer spent in Burops. Her eldest daughter, Miss Erms, will make her debut into Washington society during the winter.

Gilbert Ray Hawes, counsel for Frau Cosima Wagner, has begun a personal spin against Henrich Cooried, asking dam-ages for lipel and slander, contained in an article which appeared in a newspaper on September 3d.

Hey. Drs. Arthur H. and Herbert F. Briggs, two of the most prominent ministers of the California Methodist Conference, have resigned from the ministry, and will do sottlement work among the poor of San Francisco.

Hev Dr. Edmund Dowse, the Glad-stone of Congregationalism in this coun-try, who has been presching for sixty, five years, and the oldest Congregational minister in point of service in the pulpit, was 30 years old last Tuesday.

North Carollina Sentiment.

The Wilmington Messenger says:
It will be a great superise to many people to read the statement that for the year anding, strong that for the great superise that he gotton will so the form that the sotton man those of the North. Had there been as much time lost that has the source of the North. Had there been as much time lost that the former during the time we do not suppose this would have been the case, but, still it shows what wonderful care, but, still it shows what wonderful trides the Bauth is misting in cutring industry.

The Greensbore Record reads a lecture to North Caroling parents, and here is the closing paragraph:

We are told-and it is a matter easily proven—that many parents hustle their children off to school to be managed and controlled because they de not went to control them themselves or cannot do it. The child sees this in a second and refuses to be controlled a hopps. Who is to blame for sit this? The answer is easy, what are the parents going to de about iff.

The Charlotte News says:

If the politicians are energely enough,

HOLY CROSS.

Indorsement of Father John's Medicine as a Tonic and Body Builder For The Weak and Run Down.

The Weak and Run Down.

"We cheerfully recommend Father
John's Medicine as a good remedy for
bronchial troubles and as a good week
body builder for those who as a condend
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to gain for Senator Gorman the vote of this State in the Democratic National Convention the people should have no kick coming.

This ought to settle it. The Durham

A man who has no more sense than to start a campaign organ in North Car-olina will never be President of these United States.

The Gastonia News says:

The Gastonia News says:
A test is to be made of the vagrancy law in this State and the cases will come from Raleigh. At present it seems that a case must be very clearly made out before a conviction can be made. The law is working well in Georgia and our people are anxious to enforce such a law. It would drive many of the idle leafers of the towns or in the country.

With a Comment or Two,

Isn't it a little gueer that none of the devotees of the higher criticism have ever worked out any theories as to what variety of apple it was with which the screent templed Ever-Boston Globe. The exact variety of shake has not been fixed yet.

The Venezuelan newspapers would be a valuable and interesting adjunct to the Norfolk county campaign.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot. Virginian-Pilot.

Thought nothing was lacking to make it warmly interesting.

At that age some of them are just setting in good shape to make the other fellow hite the dust.

The prohibition issue is essentially local. It is in no sense political. It is an issue that every committely should settle for itself on its moral, not its political convictions. And the leaders of either faction in the Democratic party with permit it to be dragged into the next campaign at their peril.—Norfolk Virginian-Filot.

Innan-Filot.
That seems to be sound doctrine, but, all the same, the Mann law is getting in line as an issue.

"Bryan's speech goes a long ways," says the Newport News Progress, "Erpecially that one he made over a long-distance telephone the other day," The best thing about the speech was he had only a small attidence to bope.—Fredericksburg Free Lance.

Mr. Bryan's speeches may not always be convincing, and they may sometimes be exasterating, but they preer bore. Our Predericksburg contemporary should revise its proofs before it prints a statement like that—Telephora Index-Appeal.

A number of students of American pol-

A number of students of American pol-ities agree that Mr. Bryan's power lies altogether in his unquestioned ability to

Remarks About Richmond. Harrisonbus News: A good many columns of newspaper space are being devoted to the best method of "tabling care" of the honded debt of Richmond city. We have observed no proposition to pay it.

Petersburg Index Appeal: The Democrate of Richmond in yesterday's, primary elected five members of the Democratic City Committee from each ward, bucky Democrats of Richmond to enjoy such a privilege!

ODDS AND ENDS.

Down to First Principles. The Chicago Board of Education has proposed to furnish pasteurized milk at a nenny a bottle for the pupils in every public school as a solution of the impure water problem.

In Her Parlor.

Yes, "Loye is blind" dt's "out of sight") And it is deaf as well. Though parlor clocks may strike all night The time Love cannot tell, "Philadelphia Press.

Great Trees.

The discovery of a big forest of red-woods is reported from Curry county, in the southwestern portion of the State of Oregon. Some of the trees are said to be twenty feet in diameter.

Patient Pole.

The United States Government has given Commander Robert Reary three years in which to discover the North Pole. It is some satisfaction to know however, that if it isn't discovered in that time it will not wander away.—Pittsburg Gazette.

Theodore Roosevell, Gun-Toter.

into Washington society furing mer.

The United States that the head of the government should be revealed to be a government should be revealed to the most prominent and the places of shift of the shift of the pulpit of service in the pulpit of service in the pulpit of congregationalism in this countries of the fact of the service in the pulpit of the statement of the pulpit of service in the pulpit of the great sumprise to many peoperation of the fact of the service in the pulpit of the statement, the pulpit of the statement of the statement

**************** At the Academy. -----

It is rather an unpleasant sensation to sleep through three acts of a play and them is sudderly aroused in the fourth of such was the experience of those who witnessed last pight the production of "When Her Soul Spenks."

The trouble is that the addence is lived before her soul does speak; If that only spoken a little in the first second and third acts the audence might have been sufficiently aroused in the last act to have appreciated several very dramatic scenes, and even as it was, they manifested considerable life when the strongest situation in the play was finally presented. A few such scenes carlier in the action of the play was finally presented. A few such scenes carlier in the action of the play was finally presented. The play is unnecessarily long, and it would seem that the playwith might be might be seen that the playwith might be such seem that the maywright might.

such scenes earlier in the action of the piece would have resulted in a very wide-awake audience.

The play is unnecessarily long, and it would seem that the playwright might very well eliminate an entire ect without in the least detracting from the interest of the piece. One advantage it bits would be that the last act would be scene reached.

One of the most tedious things in the play is the reposition of the story of the life of her whose soul finally speaks. The story of one's life, as a rute, is only interesting when we are made aware of it, is shile of all efforts to keep it secret. When we are filled in it, then we give attention rather for the sake of politicess than currently tedd the story of her provides that the speaking soul tells the story of her provides than the speaking soul tells the story of her provides than currently to the one of the last time.

Miss Eva Mountford does not possess a striking appearance, so she has 10, with the speaking speaking reported the first scene. This she falls to ontil the first scene in the last act when in the frast scene in the last act when in the first scene in the last act when in the first scene from the pleading reported woman with trilly fine durantly effect. But as station the more story of the suddence through force she in the resulting the durantly effect. But as station from the pleading reported when some with trilly fine durantly effect. But as station the content is rather dazed by the sudden light.

"When Her Soul Speaks" may have a ""

"When Her Soul Speaks" may have a suggestion of merit, but it needs to be put in better shape than at present before tean eyer prove a success.

Reaping the Harvest.

Heaping the Harvest.

The above popular attraction is annunced as the attraction at the Academy to-night. Meesrs, Hill and Tredway are making a sumptions production of this chaiming play and are giving it by far the costhest production it has ever meeted.

over received.

The cast is headed by that charming little actress, Julia Romaine, and the nutbor. Tour Fitch. Miss Romaine is pronounced a most deserving successor to Miss Annie Russell, while Tom Fitch, besides being one of the cleverest writers of his time, is voiced by press and public everywhere the greatest light comedian of his time.

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There is a very strong but peculiar love story running through the piece. In substance, the Idea is this: A young lady becomes engaged to marry. She mas a younger eister, who supplies him the affections of the young man and later marries him. The author, has a peculiar idea of what the feelings of this older sister would be and that is, what courses the comment and adversity of

The Opera Next.

The costuming of a grand opera is one of the minute details that is very often overlooked and the works of the grost masters are oftener than otherwise marged by inappropriate and shabby scenery. The audiences at the Academy will have no plaint to offer in this regard when the Rose Cecilia Shay Grand Opera Company makes its appearance here next Weinesday, matinee and evening.

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"Ghosts" is termed and well named the "diamn of heredity". Leading critics have assorted that in many respects it is one of the strongest plays in the whole history of the stage. No one who has tren it will question for a moment its really marvellous power the wonderfully effective way the results simed at are reached, its strong grip on the strention of the auditor, the superior opportunities it gives players of the right sort of mental ostipre. The selebrated play of Henrik theon undoubtedly has a leason to teach and it preaches a most powerful sermon.

After the many weak plays that have visited this city, it is gratifying to ancrounce that "Ghoste" will be precented here for the first time at the Academy, on Ogiober 1s15.

The Wills Musical Comedy Company.

This organization has been playing to crowded houses throughout the Bast, devoling Itaelf to three high-class musical comedies, viz. "Two Old Cronles," In Allantic City," and "Sweet Sixeen." The company carries twenty people (mostly girls) in addition to that sterling comedian. John B. Wills, who will positively appear at every performence. The special musical numbers are properly model of the American Girls. "New York Town for Ming." and "The Hawatha Bova."

"Two Old Cronles" will be the Academy's attraction on October 2d and 3d.

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"The Game of Life." which began an engagement for the week Monday, detrawing splendidly at the Bilou Theart, the crowds incressing with each successive performance. The applause and hisses are almost in a chorus. The villain is a splendid actor, and the hisses given are a tribute to his work. The applause, on the other hand, demonstrate that lovers of right and feirness are the ways rejoicing when justice overlakes smoothly and is making a streat lift. There is to be a matinee to-day with another Saturday. The engagement will conclude with the performance Saturday night.

In the company now playing at the Bijou there is a man who has seen all sorts of life, been shot and cut in g hundred fighth and encounters, has bucked bronchos on the Bio Granda. Fought Spaniards in Cuba, sold papers on the streets, been a submarine diver, a bridge hullder and a stage expenier. Incidentally, he has also worked in a steel and from foundry. Minuse these ribs, the doctors have placed a sliver plate in the man side. Part of his law is missing the evidence of the markmanship of a Spanish sentry, the has a bullet in his life time, another souvenir of the Yanko-Spanish sentry, the has a bullet in his lott leg, another souvenir of the Yanko-Spanish with a pistol, he was a cowboy before the attained his majority. It took him twenty years to get a chance, and now he has offers from half a dozen managers. When he was reveniled that had all the way from the thesite to the hall the way from the thesite to the hall in which his wife ley and told her, forweiting to eat his dinner before going back to "go on."

Next week "The Governor's Son" will be the straction at the Bijou Theatre. The piece, has been seen here on several coensions, playing at the Academy. It was originally presented by the Four Cohans, but the company presenting the ping is you under the management of Fred Nibio. "The Governor's Son" is running at the Graphy. Norfolk, this week, and the sampely of the house has been the size of the audiences which have been present each night. The papers of that city are unanimous in their commandation of the company.

CIGAR MEN ARE INDICTED Accused of Selling Brands Under Counterfell Labels.

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Laneaster, Pa.-S. R. Ross, manufacturer of cigals in Laneaster, and his factory mariagh. H. S. Ryder, have been indicted by the Grand Jury (two indictinents being found against each) for manufacturing and selling rigars under counterfeit labels and trade marks, all of the brands being celebrated and used by owners of imported Havana goods. One of the brands was "Manuel Garola" and one was "La Carolina," both of which are the property of the Havana Commercial Company. Another was "Henry Clay," belonging to the Henry Clay and Bock Company, Ltd.